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- (4) Japanese Published Unexamined Application No. (A) 06-219311 (MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC CORP) published August 9, 1994;
- (5) Japanese Published Unexamined Application No. (A) 09-086423 (NIPPON SEIKO KK) published March 31, 1997;
- (6) Japanese Published Unexamined Application No. (A) 08-337172 (NIPPON SEIKO KK) published December 24, 1996; and
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